Please replace current claim 3 with the following:

3. (Amended) The footwear of claim 1, wherein the projections are circular in cross-section.

Cancel claims 5 and 6.

Please add new claims 11-16 as follows:

- The footwear of claim 1, wherein the projections are triangular in cross-section. 11.
- 12. The footwear of claim 1, wherein the projections are rectangular in cross-section.
- 13. The footwear of claim 1, wherein the projections are square in cross-section.
- The footwear of claim 1, wherein the projections are hexagonal in cross-section. 14.

15. Footwear for leaving a personalized imprint on wet sand and other surfaces, comprising: a sole portion which is at least partially transparent including a bottom surface with a tight matrix of projections extending therefrom,

each projection being removable, enabling a user to look through the sole portion and remove a subset of the projections corresponding to the personalized imprint.

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16. Footwear for leaving a personalized imprint on wet sand and other surface, comprising: a sandal or thong including a sole portion having a bottom surface with a densely packed matrix of projections extending therefrom,

each projection being removable, enabling a user to remove a subset of the projections corresponding to the personalized imprint.